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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

31 June 11, 2013

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

PURCHASE OF OFF-HIGHWAY CAPITAL EQUIPMENT (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3 AND 4) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Authorize the Internal Services Department, as the County's Purchasing Agent, to proceed with the acquisition of a piece of off-highway equipment, one Wheel Loader, at an estimated cost of \$250,000.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Director of Internal Services Department, as the County's Purchasing Agent, to proceed with the acquisition of a Wheel Loader for the Department of Beaches and Harbors, estimated to cost \$250,000.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Department of Beaches and Harbors (Department) requires replacement of one 2001 Volvo Wheel Loader, because it is at the end of its useful life and no longer meets Southern California Air Quality Management District diesel engine requirements. The ability to maintain the Department's current fleet of Wheel Loaders is essential given that the harsh marine environment shortens the lifespan of the equipment used on the beaches. Pursuant to County Policy, Board approval is required for capital equipment purchases where the unit cost exceeds \$250,000.

The Department has nine Wheel Loaders in its fleet to manage 109,000 square feet of sand area on 20 beaches that are spread over 61 miles of coastline. The Wheel Loaders are used in the removal and disposal of debris left by beach patrons; opening of storm drains that terminate on the beaches to prevent water from backing up on neighboring streets; construction of sand berms to protect public facilities from storms

and high tides; relocation of beached boats; and disposal of dead marine mammals found on the beach.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The purchase of a Wheel Loader will promote and further the Board-approved Strategic Plan Goal of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) by allowing the Department to provide clean and sanitary conditions for the public's enjoyment on County-operated beaches.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total cost of the Wheel Loader may exceed \$250,000. The unit will replace an existing Wheel Loader owned by the Department that will be salvaged. The purchase will be partially offset by the cost savings of \$6,000 per year from avoided repairs and will also reduce the amount of time the equipment is inoperable.

Operating Budget Impact

The equipment will be purchased using Capital Assets – Equipment appropriation. There is sufficient funding in the Department's Fiscal Year 2012-13 Final Adopted Budget to fund the purchase.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This request complies with the County Equipment Policy that your Board approved on October 16, 2001. This policy requires that departments obtain Board approval to purchase or finance equipment with a unit cost of \$250,000 or greater.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

This is a commodity purchase made under the statutory authority of the County Purchasing Agent. The acquisition will be competitively bid by the Purchasing Agent in accordance with the standard County Purchasing policies and procedures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Your approval will ensure that Beaches and Harbors can continue to protect and maintain the coastal beaches for the public's enjoyment.

CONCLUSION

Authorize the Executive Officer of the Board to return one stamped copy of the approved Board letter to the Department of Beaches and Harbors. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Nicolette Taylor, Acting Contracts and Grants Manager, Contracts Unit, at (310) 577-5736 or ntaylor@bh.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry Silverstrom
for

SANTOS H. KREIMANN
Director

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